

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of November 19, 2004, Applicant hereby elects without traverse Species I, Figures 7A-7E, drawn to Embodiment 1. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13-24, and 26 read on the elected species. It is further noted that the features of Claims 13 and 19 are readable on each of the Embodiments 1-6 and hence are generic.

It is noted that each of the features of Claims 13 and 19 is supported by Embodiment 1. For example, "forming an amorphous semiconductor layer" is supported by lines 18-20 of page 11 in the specification (Embodiment 1); "crystallizing the amorphous semiconductor layer" is supported by line 24 of page 11 in the specification (Embodiment 1); "introducing an impurity element" is supported by line 5 of page 12 in the specification (Embodiment 1); "irradiating the crystalline semiconductor layer with laser light" is supported by lines 18-20 of page 12 in the specification (Embodiment 1); and "removing a surface portion of the crystallize semiconductor layer" is supported by lines 6-7 of page 13 in the specification (Embodiment 1).

Claims 1, 3, 9, 11, 13, and 19 have been amended. New claims 28-37 have been added and read on the elected species. Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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